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SUBMISSION OF NASA DECLARATION

In response to the communication from the Office dated May 7, 2004, attached is
the appropriate Declaration signed by the inventors.

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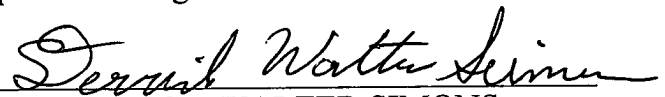
1. That we made and conceived the invention described in the U.S. patent application identified above.

2. That we made and conceived this invention while employed by GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY, a corporation of New York, and to whom we have assigned all right, title and interest by virtue of a previously-filed Assignment document; that the invention is related to the work we were employed to perform and was made within the scope of our duties; that the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of our employer, GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY.

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3. That to the best of our knowledge and belief the invention was not made (conceived or first actually reduced to practice) under terms of any contract, subcontract or arrangement entered into with or for the benefit of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

4. We declare further that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.



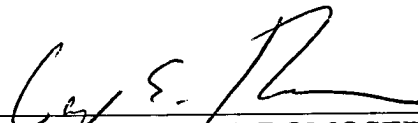
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